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Panther Service Day Nears; Volunteers/Donations/Sites Being Sought

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Student Government at Eastern Illinois University will be sponsoring its fourth annual EIU Panther Service Day -- "One Campus, One Community" -- scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 22.

Panther Service Day is a day of community service in which hundreds of volunteers from the EIU and Charleston communities participate in a city-wide clean-up campaign. Projects include external home painting, yard work, streets/alleys clean-up and parks/recreational area clean-up.

This annual campaign was recognized statewide as the recipient of the 2004 Governor's Hometown Award.

With a goal this year of 600 volunteers and 30 project sites, Panther Service Day organizers are currently seeking city projects, volunteers and monetary donations. Individuals, civic organizations, student organizations, churches, schools and businesses are invited to join EIU faculty, staff and students in building this bond between EIU and Charleston.

Nominations are also being sought for residential homes, streets/alleys and parks/recreational areas as possible worksites.

Individuals and organizations interested in nominating, participating or donating to Panther Service Day activities can pick up and complete an informational brochure at participating Charleston-area businesses; at Eastern's Student Activity Center, located in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, Room 201; or online at www.eiu.edu/~psd.

The deadline to nominate projects and sign-up to participate in Panther Service Day is Monday, April 10. Volunteers will receive a complimentary t-shirt, lunch and certificate of appreciation.

In the event of inclement weather, the Panther Service Day rain date is April 29.

For information or to make a donation, contact EIU Student Government at 581-5522.